

ARIZONA STATE LEGISLATURE

ARIZONA OPIOID USE DISORDER REVIEW COUNCIL

**Minutes of the Meeting
September 26, 2019
2:00 p.m., Senate Hearing Room 1**

Members Present:

Senator Kate Brophy McGee, Co-Chair
Dr. Cara Christ
Doray Elkins
Tad Gary
Kim Humphrey
Dr. Annette Lusko

Representative Nancy Barto, Co-Chair
Dennis Regnier
Dr. Flora Sadri-Azarbayejani
Jami Snyder
Dr. Nirali Soni

Members Excused:

Representative Regina E. Cobb

Staff:

Cherie Stone, Senate Research Staff
Ingrid Garvey, House Research Staff

Co-Chair Brophy McGee called the meeting to order at 2:04 p.m. and attendance was taken.

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

Senator Brophy McGee requested that members introduce themselves and offered comments.

OVERVIEW OF SB 1535 AND REVIEW COUNCIL CHARGE-CHERIE STONE, SENATE RESEARCH ANALYST

Cherie Stone, Senate Research Analyst, Health and Human Services Committee, distributed a copy of Senate Bill 1535 (Attachment A) and a fact sheet for Senate Bill 1535 (Attachment B). Ms. Stone gave an overview of Senate Bill 1535 and the Charge of the Committee.

AHCCCS PRESENTATION ON DATA:

Jami Snyder, Director, Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System (AHCCCS), introduced Michelle Skurka who assisted in presenting information to the Committee.

Michelle Skurka, System of Care and Grants Administrator, AHCCCS, distributed and explained a PowerPoint presentation entitled "Opioid Review Council Initial Meeting September 26, 2019" (Attachment C). Ms. Skurka explained the types of Medication-Assisted Treatment (MAT) and answered questions posed by the Committee.

Ms. Snyder answered questions posed by the Committee.

Tad Gary, Chief Operating Officer, Mercy Care, answered questions posed by the Committee.

Ms. Skurka answered additional questions posed by the Committee.

Ms. Snyder offered additional explanation of the PowerPoint presentation (Attachment C) and answered additional questions posed by the Committee.

PUBLIC TESTIMONY

Amina Diana Kruck, representing herself, distributed a letter to Congress dated June 25, 2019 (Attachment D) and a handout entitled "National Council on Independent Living; Statement of Principles – Chronic Pain/Opioids" (Attachment E). Ms. Kruck testified regarding the National Council on Independent Living and people with chronic pain.

NEXT STEPS

The Committee discussed points for future discussion.

Attached is a form noting the individual who submitted a Speaker slip on the agenda items (Attachment F).

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:18 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Shelley Ponce
Committee Secretary

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